

DEMOCRATIC CITY PRIMARY IS TO BE HELD TUESDAY MARCH 2.

Candidates Must Pay Their Assessments For The Expenses On Or Before
February 5—Boundaries Of The Several Wards In Winchester.

A call meeting of the Democratic Committee for the city of Winchester was held Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the office of the chairman, Hon. James M. Stevenson. Practically the only matter considered was the date for the primary, which was fixed for Tuesday, March 2, 1909, to nominate a city ticket. The following resolutions were adopted:

The Resolutions.

1st. That a primary election be held in each ward in the city on Tuesday, March 2, 1909, for the purpose of nominating Democratic candidates for Councilmen in the various Wards of the city as follows: Two in the first Ward; two in the second Ward; two in the third Ward; one in the fourth Ward, and two in the fifth Ward, to be voted for in the November election, 1909.

2nd. That in said primary the Democrats of the city shall have the right and be permitted to express their choice for the various appointive offices, to wit: Mayor, Police Judge, City Attorney, City Clerk, Tax Collector and Chief of Police and in order to insure the selection of the nominees of said primary for the said appointive offices, the candidates for Councilmen before said primary, will be required at the time they pay their entrance fees, to sign an obligation binding themselves in filling the appointive offices in said primary, and for Deputy Policemen to vote for the persons who are nominated for those positions by the Chief of Police, and no candidate for Councilman who is unwilling to sign such an obligation shall have his name printed on the ballots to be used in said primary.

3rd. That only citizens of Winchester who are known Democrats, who are registered as Democrats, and such known Democrats as have been residents of Winchester sixty days prior to the date set for the primary election, and who, for any legal reason, were prevented from registering at the last registration, and such young men as will become twenty-one years of age by the final election and desires to cast their political lot with the Democratic party, shall be entitled to vote in said primary.

4th. The polls shall be opened in the various Wards of the city from six o'clock a. m., to four o'clock p. m., on said day at the following voting places: The voters of the first ward shall vote at the Fairfax voting precinct; the voters of the second ward, at the Court House voting precinct; the voters of the third ward at the North Winchester voting precinct; the voters of the fourth ward at the Mt. Abbott voting precinct, and the voters of the fifth ward at the Winchester voting precinct.

5th. That in order to defray the expenses of the primary, the candidates shall, on or before February 5, 1909, pay to the chairman of this committee, the following sums: Each candidate for Councilman, \$3; each candidate for Mayor, \$7; each candidate for Police Judge, \$7; each candidate for City Attorney, \$7; each candidate for City Clerk, \$7; each candidate for Collector, \$7; each candidate for Chief of Police, \$7; and no candidate who fails to pay such assessment, shall be permitted to have his name on the ballots.

6th. That this committee will meet on the 18th day of February, 1909, for the purpose of arranging for the printing of the ballots and selecting the officers to conduct said primary.

J. M. STEVENSON, Chair.

S. K. HODGKIN, Sec.

Many Candidates.

The woods are full of candidates and more are announcing every day. Here are some of the openly declared candidates, others are being groomed for the several races.

Mayor—H. T. Strother, J. A. Hughes, W. O. Hoskins, Geo. D. McCullum.

City Attorney—Frank H. Haggard. For Police Judge—F. P. Pendleton. For Chief of Police—Woodson McCord, Joe. W. Rapard.

City Collector—Harry W. Seriven, James A. McCourt, Geo. W. McKinney.

City Clerk—S. B. Tracy.

General Council.

First ward—W. P. Hackett, C. G. Bush, Geo. Hon.

Second ward—A. R. Martin, Thos. F. Moore, J. W. Wheeler, T. L. Todd, J. E. Botkin.

Third ward—M. S. Browne, Dock Pigg, R. F. Seabee.

Fifth Ward—Sylvester Dinelli, W. P. Azbill, John C. Allen, J. F. Stokely.

The fourth ward is overwhelming Republican and no Democratic candidates has yet announced there.

Boundaries of Wards.

The boundaries of the several wards are as follows:

Sec. 1. The City of Winchester shall be divided and laid off into five wards as follows, to wit:

Ward No. 1. Beginning at the intersection of Main and Broadway streets; then South with the center of Main street to the intersection of Main street with Lexington avenue; thence West with the center of Lexington avenue to the intersection of Lexington avenue with Maple street; thence South with the center of Maple street to the City Limits; thence with the boundary of the City Limits to a point which would be reached by the extension of the alley between the Hall property and Kohlhasville; thence West in a straight line to the center of said alley at its eastern end; thence West with the center of said alley to a point in same that would be reached by a line drawn from Hickman street along the rear line of the lots which front on the East side of Buckner street; thence in a straight line from said point South running with the rear lines of the lots fronting on the East side of Buckner street to the center of Hickman street; thence West with the center of Hickman street to its intersection with Highland street; thence North with the center of Highland street to its intersection with Lexington avenue to the first alley East of Highland street; thence North with the corner of said alley to Broadway; thence West with the center of Broadway to the beginning.

Ward No. 2. Beginning with the intersection of Broadway and the alley between and parallel with Main street and Highland street; thence South with the center of said alley to the center of Fairfax street; thence with the center line of Fairfax street to the center of Highland street; thence South with the center of Highland street to the center of Hickman street; thence with the center of Hickman street to a point in a line with the eastern boundary of the lots which front the East side of Buckner street; thence in a straight line from said point North running with the rear lines of said lots to the center of the alley between the Hall place property and Kohlhasville; thence running in a straight line East to the City Limits; thence with the boundary of the City Limits to the center of said railroad to the center of Highland street; thence with the center of Highland street to its intersection with Washington street; thence West with the center of Washington street to the intersection of an alley East and parallel with Main street; thence South with the center of said alley to Broadway, the point of beginning.

Ward No. 3. Beginning with the intersection of Broadway and the alley parallel with Main street and Highland street; thence North with the center of said alley to Washington street; thence with the center of Washington street East to the center of Highland street; thence with the center of Highland street North to the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad; thence with the center of said railroad to the City Limits; thence with the boundary of the City Limits to Pendleton street; thence with the center of Pendleton street South to a point in the Kentucky Union Land Company's property, just South of the angle in Pendleton street; thence in a straight line to Winn avenue; thence with the center of Winn avenue to Main street; thence with the center of Main street to the center of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad; thence with the center of same to the center of Maple street; thence with Maple street South to Washington street; thence with the center of Washington street East to the alley between Maple

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LADY AUCKLAND, WHO WILL WRITE OF AMERICAN SOCIETY.

The society set at Newport is waiting with keen interest for Lady Auckland's "impressions," which she said she would write on her return to England after her recent visit to this country. Lady Auckland could find little to commend in America's smart set when she was interviewed by New York newspaper reporters, and if she puts in her book those things which she hinted at as having impressed her most in her intercourse with some of the wealthier Americans it may cause a sensation.

PLATFORMS OF SOME DEMOCRATS WHO SEEK PRIMARY NOMINATIONS

Mayor Hughes And Mr. H. T. Strother Declare Their Views On Municipal Affairs And Tell What They Will Strive To Do If Chosen

—Judge Pendleton Stands On His Record.

The date for the holding of the Democratic city primary has been fixed and only a few weeks remain for the Democratic citizens to decide for themselves who are the best men for the several offices.

In the race for Mayor two aspirants have already announced their candidacy through the columns of The News and Judge Pendleton has asked renomination as City Judge.

Two Candidates.

The two candidates mentioned for Mayor are the present incumbent, Mayor Hughes and Mr. H. T. Strother. Both of these gentlemen are honest upright citizens, both are public spirited.

Mayor Hughes has served as a Councilman and Mayor for the past eight years and is well posted on the wants of the city and the way the duties connected with the Mayor's office should be conducted. Mr. Strother, while never serving as a Councilman, is well up on the city's affairs.

Mayor Hughes.

A reporter for The News called on each of these candidates for the office of Mayor Tuesday morning to find out what they were in favor of and what they would do if elected. Mayor Hughes was the first one he interviewed. Mr. Hughes said:

"I am, as I say on my card, that announces me for the office of Mayor—willing to be judged by my record for the short time I have been in the office. If my course meets with the approval of the people my reelection by them will be greatly appreciated and I assure them I will do as I have in the past, everything in my power or in the power of a Mayor, for the upbuilding of our city and for an economical management of the expenses of the city.

I am in favor of the building of a city hall.

More commodious and more convenient headquarters for the fire department.

More modern apparatus for the firemen.

And all other improvements that meet with the approval of the people.

I have been a Councilman for the past eight years and I think I am familiar with the wants of the city. If I did not, I would not come out and ask the people to place me at the head of the city's affairs."

Mr. H. T. Strother.

Mr. Strother was born and raised in this city and is well-known in the city and county where he has been

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GIGANTIC STEAL IS UNEARTHED

Secretary Garfield Secures Astounding Evidence—Will Fight to Recover Land.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Information of a startling character of alleged wholesale and astounding frauds upon the public lands has come into the possession of Secretary of the Interior Garfield, through special agents in the field. The serious allegation is made that approximately \$110,000,000 worth of lands in states principally west of the Mississippi river have been fraudulently acquired within the past two years by corporations and individuals.

With a view of recovering these lands, Secretary Garfield sent letters to Chairmen Hale and Tawney of the senate and house appropriation committees respectively, asking for an additional appropriation of \$500,000 which, if granted with that already asked for, will give the department \$1,000,000 for that purpose. The specific purpose of the appropriation requested is for preventing "depredations upon public timber, protecting public lands, examining swamp lands, etc." It is stated that there is reasonable prospect of recovering much of this alleged fraudulently acquired land if the appropriation is promptly made.

It also is pointed out that while \$1,000,000 may seem large, it is not 1 per cent of the commercial value of the land which the government may hope to recover. Secretary Garfield also submits a statement of H. H. Schwartz, chief of the field service, showing over 32,000 distinct cases of alleged land frauds demanding further investigation.

CONSULTS WITH FRIEND

President-elect Taft Carefully Considers Treasury Appointment.

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 19.—That the president-elect has not determined who is to be his secretary of the treasury is indicated by the circumstance that he had a conversation with J. C. Shaffer, proprietor of the Chicago Post, regarding the qualifications of the several Chicagoans whose appointment has been urged.

Mr. Shaffer is a particular friend of Mr. Taft and came here at the special request of the president-elect for this conference, although he did not know why he had been sent for.

It is known that Mr. Taft is giving careful attention to the treasury portfolio, and he may not decide that matter until immediately before his inauguration.

Burglars Rob Bank.

Enid, Okla., Jan. 19.—Burglars entered the State bank, at Carrier, 13 miles northwest of here, wrecked the safe and escaped with \$3,000. Charges of nitro-glycerine were used to shatter the vault. Citizens who were awakened by the explosion rushed to the bank, but were driven back by the robbers at the point of revolvers. Several shots were exchanged. The burglars laughed loudly as they were making their escape with the money. The bank building was completely wrecked. Posses are now pursuing the burglars.

Paper Plant Burns.

Xenia, O., Jan. 19.—The plant of the Xenia Board and Paper company, valued at \$125,000, was completely destroyed by fire. The company was controlled by the Beveridge Paper company of Indianapolis. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

DISCOURAGE ATTENDANCE

Managers Fear Too Large a Crowd at Lincoln Memorial Dedication.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 19.—President Roosevelt will have to stand on a box or a stove top on Feb. 12 when he lays the cornerstone of the memorial hall on the Lincoln farm, near Hodgenville, Ky. The local commercial organizations interested in the event met C. E. Miner, secretary to the president of the Lincoln Farm association, who told them that it was the desire of the association and the president to discourage a large attendance because of the limited room at the farm.

Killed Husband For Drink.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 19.—Mrs. Otto Lundstrom, known as Vera Lee, confessed to the police that she killed her husband during a quarrel over a drink of whisky. The woman when arrested insisted that her husband committed suicide.

General Craighill Dead.

Baltimore, Jan. 19.—Private advice received here state that Brigadier General William C. Craighill, United States army, retired, died at his home in Charleston, W. Va., after an illness of a few days. He was 75 years old.

BAILEY TALKS ABOUT SOCIETY

Opposes Increase in President's Salary and Says Honor Should Be Sufficient.

Washington, Jan. 19.—By a vote of 37 to 27 the senate fixed the salary of the speaker of the house of representatives at \$15,000 instead of \$12,000, as at present and instead of \$20,000 as proposed by the committee on appropriations.

A vigorous speech against any increase was made by Senator Bailey, and numerous addresses were made in support of the proposition. Mr. Bailey declared that every position in the gift of the government should be sought for the honor and not for the emolument, and that the salaries should be only sufficient to provide proper living and education of children.

"But we are told here that the salaries are inadequate to provide entertainment which high officials are expected to give," said Mr. Bailey. "I am inclined to think that it would be a fortunate thing to reduce the salaries, if to reduce them would reduce the amount of entertaining. I have found that men who entertain most are not the men who do the public work best, and if these men want to spend their time in entertainment they should not spend the people's money."

Speaking of lavish entertainments, Mr. Bailey said: "If a private citizen of New York wants to give a feast to monkeys he merely wants to entertain his ancestors, and he has a right to do it. If the president is not rich enough to give a great banquet, let him give a modest one and invite men for what they are worth instead of for what they possess." Mr. Bailey said very few of the working men in congress "waste much of their time" at these great entertainments.

Referring to the \$80,500 allowed the president above his salary for maintenance of the White House, the speaker stated that as long as there was a poorhouse he did not believe in these expenditures, and when paupers cease to swarm in the great cities the country may be called prosperous. Speaking of entertainments in Washington, Mr. Bailey characterized them as places "where the men dress up like head waiters and the ladies hardly dress at all."

Senator Raynor endeavored to have the senate adopt a resolution calling on the attorney general for information as to whether the president had ordered a suit brought against the New York World and the Indianapolis News because of alleged libel in publications relating to purchase of the Panama canal property, and under what statute this action had been taken. Mr. Raynor declared that there was no statute authorizing such legal procedure and that the attempt to sue the newspapers in the name of the United States, if entered upon, was an attempt to apply the sedition laws long since repealed. He declared there was no law under which the libel laws could be made to apply to statements respecting the government.

Relief Committee Disbands.

Rome, Jan. 19.—The American relief committee, which was organized for the purpose of directing the American charities in connection with the earthquake sufferers, has been dissolved. The committee met with Ambassador Griscom and decided that the purposes for which it had been appointed had been accomplished.

MUST PAY BIG FINE

Texas Decision Against Standard Upheld by Supreme Court.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Texas state anti-trust laws of 1899 and 1903 were held constitutional by the supreme court of the United States in a decision in the famous Waters-Pierce Oil company, and affirms the fine of \$1,623,900 originally imposed of the concern.

Has Son-in-Law Arrested.

Delaware, O., Jan. 19.—Following a joyful wedding in this city, John Phipps, a young farmer, was arrested for perjury on complaint of Charles Johnson, his newly-acquired father-in-law. In securing a license Phipps gave the age of Miss Gertrude Perdue, his bride-elect, as 18 years, whereas her father says she is only 16.

Carry Out Suicide Pact.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 19.—Having evidently carried out a pre-arranged plan to die together, Schuyler C. Car-skadon and wife were found dead in their bedroom in South Norfolk. Both had been shot through the back of the head. A revolver was found on the floor at the side of the bed in which the couple lay side by side.